

With gratitude and respect for the work they do, I offer my congratulations to Al-Anon Family Groups on their 50th anniversary.●

TRIBUTE TO OVARIAN CANCER NATIONAL ALLIANCE

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance of Washington, D.C. during Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month of September. The Alliance has been instrumental in implementing a three phase public education program targeting key constituencies to deliver crucial information about ovarian cancer.

The information provided to the public about ovarian cancer has allowed the Alliance to successfully develop the tools, strategies and relationships necessary to educate women about the symptoms, risks and treatment of ovarian cancer.

The main thrust of the education program was the development of a pilot awareness program in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. Working closely with the Ovarian Cancer Coalition of Greater Washington, the Alliance trained more than 30 volunteers to go into the community to give educational presentations and partnered with area gynecologic and oncology physicians and nurses to do similar presentations in the medical community.

The combined aspects of the program have reached several hundred healthcare professionals and tens of thousand of women. The pilot program has made a marked impact in raising ovarian cancer awareness in the Washington, D.C. area.

The Alliance has begun to identify other communities around the country in which it will conduct similar educational campaigns to heighten awareness of ovarian cancer.

I commend the Ovarian Cancer National Alliance for its selfless dedication to the education of women concerning ovarian cancer and applaud the efforts to reach thousands of women in our country with life saving information. It is truly an honor and a privilege to represent you in the United States Senate.●

COMMENDING THE SERVICE OF GENERAL THOMAS P. KANE

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to bring to the Senate's attention the exemplary career and service of General Thomas Kane, Commander of the 60th Air Mobility Wing at Travis Air Force Base in California.

General Kane is leaving Travis to accept an assignment with NATO on September 12, 2001. When he arrived in Solano County almost 2 years ago, he brought with him a sense of honor, pur-

pose and teamwork that not only resonated on the base itself but throughout the surrounding community. I am not the only one who will miss his spirit, good nature and strength of character.

General Kane is a career Air Force officer. He graduated from the Air Force Academy in 1974 and has earned numerous advanced degrees since. A pilot and highly decorated officer, he has served in many capacities and in many locations over the course of his time in the Armed Forces including Portugal and Korea. Advancing steadily, he was promoted to Brigadier General on September 1, 2000.

I had the pleasure of meeting General Kane in person once at my office in Washington, DC. To me, the most striking thing about him is how much he cares about the men and women in his command. This impressed me very much. In my opinion, this attitude is more than an approach to leadership; it is the very essence of leadership.

General Kane often likes to mention that if he ever leaves the Air Force he would like to be a baseball coach. I am not sure if America needs more baseball coaches, but I do know that we very much need dedicated people leading our military. General Kane is just such an officer. He is a credit to his uniform and his country. I wish him, his wife Renee and their family the very best.●

TRIBUTE TO ALICE WATERS

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to an extraordinary American and Californian, Alice Waters, who has revolutionized our approach to food and the way we eat.

I congratulate her and her flagship restaurant, Chez Panisse, for reaching the milestone of being in business for 30 years. While sustaining a successful restaurant for all of these years is significant, Alice's broader contribution to our culture in the past decades is unparalleled.

While I have known and admired Alice for many years, I am astonished when I consider the effect she has had on our country. Alice has cultivated programs and integrated food and gardening into imaginative projects as ways of fostering love, growth, responsibility and respect of life and work.

Alice's disciples and her philosophy of fresh, local and natural, have spread throughout our land. A remarkable number of proteges have opened their own path-breaking restaurants and have become culinary artists themselves. But her influence goes far beyond the kitchen. Due to the leadership of Alice and her restaurant, Chez Panisse, the National Restaurant Association reports that over 60 percent of the top American restaurants now mention organic ingredients on their menus. Alice worked to pass the Federal organic food law and has helped

define new U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines for school lunches.

Alice has written and co-authored many cookbooks, which provide more than recipes. They have helped to spread her philosophy of food into American home kitchens. She has founded gardening projects at the San Francisco jail and the Edible Schoolyard at Berkeley's Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School, where she established a curriculum that brings organic gardening into classes and where the results of the children's gardening are used in the school's lunch program. The students who participate not only learn valuable skills but also cooperation and responsibility.

Alice believes that as Americans change their thinking about food, America will change for the better. Alice has said about our children that "Most families in this country don't even eat one meal a day with each other. So how are we going to pass on our values to them if we don't eat with them?"

While Chez Panisse has been graced with many talented people over the years, the one constant has been Alice. She has poured her life into Chez Panisse and into what it represents, and we are all the richer for it.

I am proud to know Alice and I wish her, her good works for our community and nation, and Chez Panisse another 30 years of continued success.●

RECOGNIZING JIM WOSTER FOR HIS SERVICE TO SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize a friend and an extraordinary South Dakotan who is about to be inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame on Saturday, September 8th. I am very pleased that Mr. Jim Woster, of Sioux Falls, SD has been selected for this very prestigious honor. I am sure this is also a great honor for Jim's wife, Penny, their three children, Jim, Sara, and Michelle, and their new granddaughter, Tessa. Jim's contributions to our State have been many, but he has, in particular, been an absolute champion for the interests of agriculture and South Dakota's rural communities.

After growing up on a ranch near Reliance, SD, Mr. Woster graduated from South Dakota State University with a degree in animal science. As a young man, Jim began to compile an incredibly impressive list of accomplishments in all aspects of South Dakota agriculture. Jim's experiences range from working in the cattle alley at the Sioux Falls Stockyards to conducting important ruminant nutrition research. Jim has been involved in consignment sales of livestock at sale barns throughout the State, and became a highly respected and beloved media personality in our State through his market reports on radio and television. Nobody knows rural America,

and nobody knows South Dakota agriculture better than Jim Woster.

Jim has always exhibited a strong commitment to public service. Throughout his career, he has devoted an enormous amount of time and energy to worthy causes such as the American Cancer Society, the Arthritis Foundation, and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. All this while serving our Nation for eight years as a member of the South Dakota National Guard.

The great honor to be bestowed on Mr. Woster is exceptionally well deserved, as he has contributed so much to our State while at the same time serving as a model for other talented South Dakotans to emulate. I join my fellow South Dakotans on extending congratulations and a "job well done" to Jim Woster.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:29 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1866. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, to clarify the basis for granting requests for reexamination of patents.

H.R. 1886. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for appeals by third parties in certain patent reexamination proceedings.

H.R. 2048. An act to require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute.

H.R. 2277. An act to provide for work authorization for nonimmigrant spouses of treaty traders and treaty investors.

H.R. 2278. An act to provide for work authorization for nonimmigrant spouses of intracompany transferees, and to reduce the period of time during which certain intracompany transferees have to be continuously employed before applying for admission to the United States.

H.R. 2291. An act to extend the authorization of Drug-Free Communities Support Program for an additional 5 years, to authorize a National Community Antidrug Coalition Institute, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2510. An act to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following resolution:

H. Res. 234. Resolution stating that the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Floyd Spence, a Representative from the State of South Carolina.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1866. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, to clarify the basis for granting requests for reexamination of patents; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1886. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for appeals by third parties in certain patent reexamination proceedings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2048. An act to require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2510. An act to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar.

H.R. 2563. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-3578. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to military personnel accounts; to the Committees on Appropriations; the Budget; and Armed Services.

EC-3579. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the appropriations report; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-3580. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3581. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the funding of the Foreign Comparative Testing Program Projects for Fiscal Year 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3582. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report for Department purchases from foreign entities in Fiscal Year 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3583. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3584. A communication from the Director of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Conversion of Department of Defense Commercial Activity to a Private Contractor; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3585. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations on Certain Federal Indian Reservations and Ceded Lands for the 2001-02 Early Season" (RIN1018-AH79) received on August 17, 2001; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3586. A communication from the Executive Director of the National Commission on

Libraries and Information Science, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report for 1998 and 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3587. A communication from the General Counsel for the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Non-Governmental Antarctic Expeditions" (RIN3145-AA36) received on August 15, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3588. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Solid Minerals Reporting Requirements" received on August 17, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3589. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2001-2002 Refuge-Specific Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations" (RIN1018-AG58) received on August 22, 2001; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3590. A communication from the Register of Copyrights, Library of Congress, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "DMCA Section 104 Report"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3591. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Gulf War Veterans for Calendar Years 1999 and 2000; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3592. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans Benefits Administration Nomenclature Changes" received on August 16, 2001; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3593. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Duty to Assist" (RIN2900-AK69) received on August 23, 2001; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3594. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Brazil; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3595. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3596. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a transaction involving U.S. exports to the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3597. A communication from the Deputy Congressional Liaison, Federal Reserve Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Credit by Brokers and Dealers (Regulation T); List of Foreign Margin Stocks" received on August 20, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.